2. In "Special" vacancies of teachers which are open only to members of backward communities, as among the candidates of such communities trained men will have preference over those who are untrained ; but a Brahmin candidate should not be appointed in such special vacancies in preference to a non-Brahmin candidate on the ground that the former is trained and the latter is not.

N. RAMA RAO,
Secretary to Government,
Development Departments.

FINANCIAL SECRETARIAT.

Raising the limit of Combined Leave to eight months on the production of a Medical Certificate.

ORDER NO. FL. 5287-346—S. & A. 1-28-22, DATED 17TH JANUARY 1929.

The maximum period of furlough on average salary, and privilege leave, combined with such furlough now limited to six months, under Article 209A Clauses (*iii*) and (*v*), Mysore Service Regulations, when taken in India may be extended up to eight months, provided a medical certificate in the form prescribed in Chapter XXVI, Mysore Service Regulations, is produced in support of the application for the extension of leave.

2. Necessary Addenda and Corrigenda Slip to Mysore Service Regulations will issue separately.

B. SRINIVASA IYENGAR
Secretary to Government,
Financial Department.

Passes Orders about training Pandits in Agama Sastra.

ORDER NO. 1356-9—MUZ. 133-27-12, DATED 21ST JANUARY 1929.

There are a large number of Temples and Mutts in the State endowed with Government grants and Government in the Muzrai Department exercise supervision over them, and, in some cases, they have also to assume direct management of these institutions. It is necessary to adopt measures for preserving the methods of worship and of conducting other religious ceremonies, as laid down in the Agama Sastras and as authorised by tradition.

2. The existing arrangements for the training of students in Agama Sastras and for consultation in matters relating to methods of worship in temples is by no means satisfactory.

3. There are at present six appointments for teaching Agama Sastras in the Sanskrit College, Mysore—three on Rs. 25—3—40 each, three on Rs. 20—1—2. each, and two Pandits in the Muzrai Commissioner's Office on Rs. 30—2—50 each There is not full work for the men employed in the Muzrai Commissioner's Office and it is difficult also to obtain the services of men possessing the required qualifications for holding offices of Agamiks. In the Sanskrit College at Mysore, no teacher has been appointed for Saivagama for want of a competent person, and there are now only two teachers and one of even these two, is only a senior student. Five out of the six posts in the College are therefore vacant, due to the fact that qualified persons are not available and the pay allowed is also poor.

4. It is necessary, in the circumstances stated above to arrange for having well qualified staff in the College for teaching all the three systems—Saiva, Vaikhanasa and Pancharatra. No persons proficient in the theory and practice of the